



Gila County Superior Court

PUBLIC INTEREST CASES

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Once the case is selected, general information will appear, and includes the pleadings filed, hearings held, and status of the case. For more information about the case than the website displays, you may contact the office of the Clerk of Court.

Gila County Court Public Access

If an agency of the media is interested in following the progress of a particular Gila County case or a public interest case, the media representative may identify that case to the office of the Court Administrator. Information about the case may still be obtained from the Public Access to Court Information website, as the direct link will save the media time when researching the case. This Court's website can be accessed by clicking on the following link:

<http://www.gilacountyaz.gov/government/courts/index.php>

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http://72.24.204.138:8080/gila_public/ev_srch.action

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The Gila County Superior Court Public Interest List is also available via the Internet at the following link:

<http://www.gilacountyaz.gov/government/courts/index.php>

For general questions regarding cases on the Public Interest Case List or any other case, please contact: Coleen Stevens, Public Information Officer, at: cstevens@courts.az.gov, or (928) 402-8674.

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Diversion/Deferred Program

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For a full explanation of this program, please visit the County Attorney's web page at the following link:

http://www.gilacountyaz.gov/government/county_attorney/diversion_deferred_program.php

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PENDING CASES

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Plaintiff:	Dorothea HAWK	Defendant:	Rodney ANDERSON ANDERSON CHIROPATRIC CLINIC
Case #:	CV2009-346		
Attorney for Plaintiff:	Lloyd & Robinson	Attorney for Defendant:	Sanders & Parks
Judge:	Peter Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Status:	December 11, 2013	Trial Date	in PAYSON
Case Notes:	The Defendant is accused of negligence in the care of Ken Hawk, which it is alleged, ultimately caused the death of Mr. Hawk. The Plaintiff is suing for damages.		
Complaint:	Ct. 1 - Wrongful Death		

Plaintiff:	DEBORAH NICHOLS	Defendant:	MICHAEL LOWE, PEAK MEDICAL CARE, PLLC
Case #:	CV2013-032		
Attorney for Plaintiff:	Neal H. Bookspan Laura A. Rogal Jaburg & Wilk, P.C.	Attorney for Defendant:	
Judge:	Peter Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Status:	AWAITING HEARING DATE		
Case Notes:	Complainant alleges that the Defendant's actions breached his fiduciary and contractual duties and terms. Defendant is also said to have deliberately obstructed Plaintiff is seeking judgment be entered for compensatory damages and costs.		
Complaint:	Ct. 1 Breach of Fiduciary Duty – Dr. Michael Lowe Ct. 2 Intentional Interference With business Expectancy – Dr. Michael Lowe Ct. 3 Breach of Contract Ct. 4 Statutory Accounting Ct. 5 Issuance of a Temporary Restraining Order; Preliminary Injunction; Permanent Injunction		

CASES SET FOR TRIAL

Defendant:	Gasoa BALAS a.k.a. Joshua BALAS	Case #:	CR2012-382
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	Defense:	Michael Bernays
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Status:	September 18, 2013, @ 9:00	Jury Trial	in GLOBE
Case Notes:	Defendant is charged with causing the death of a minor. Other charges include assaulting a law enforcement officer, attempting to flee from a pursuing law enforcement vehicle, while driving without a license, and under the influence of alcohol and drugs.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Second Degree Murder Ct. 2 - Child Abuse / Domestic Violence Ct. 3 - Aggravated Assault on Police Officer Ct. 4 - Unlawful Flight from Pursuing Law Enforcement Ct. 5 - Aggravated DUI Ct. 6 - Aggravated DUI w/License Suspended Ct. 7 - Aggravated DUI – Drugs w/License Suspended		

Defendant:	David Eric MIKULAK	Case #:	CR2012-009
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	Defense:	Jason Squires
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Status:	July 2, 2013, @ 9:30	Jury Trial	in GLOBE
Case Notes:	Defendant is charged with conspiring with the intent to sell a dangerous drug, as well as having items of drug paraphernalia.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Conspiracy to Sell a Dangerous Drug Ct. 2 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia		

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CASES SET FOR SENTENCING

Defendant:	Brandon Lee LEWIS	Case #:	CR2012-336
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney's Office Marc Stanley Joy Riddle	Defense:	Michael Harper Chuck Walker
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Status:	June 3, 2013, @ 11:00	Sentencing	in PAYSON
Case Notes:	Defendant was charged with a number of counts of assaulting Peace Officers, acting in a manner to prevent his arrest, as well as causing damage to a police vehicle and police uniform.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer Class 4 Felony Ct. 2 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer Class 5 Felony Ct. 3 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer Class 5 Felony Ct. 4 - Resisting Arrest Class 6 Felony Ct. 5 - Criminal Damage Class 6 Felony Ct. 6 - Criminal Damage Class 2 Misdemeanor		
DISPOSITION:	JURY TRIAL - commenced on April 30, 2013		
VERDICT:	Ct. 1 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – NOT GUILTY Ct. 2 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY Ct. 3 - Aggravated Assault on Peace Officer JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY Ct. 4 - Resisting Arrest JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY Ct. 5 - Criminal Damage JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY Ct. 6 - Criminal Damage JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY		
SENTENCING:	June 3, 2013, @ 11:00	in PAYSON	

CASES SET FOR SENTENCING

Defendant:	David Martin HARDMAN	Case #:	CR2012-295
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	Defense:	Barry Standifird
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Notes:	On or about January 13, 2012, Defendant was charged with driving under the influence while his license was suspended. It is alleged that the Defendant had an alcohol concentration of 0.15 or above, within two hours of driving.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Aggravated DUI-w/license suspended Class 4 Felony Ct. 2 - Extreme Aggravated DUI – w/license suspended Class 4 Felony		
DISPOSITION:	JURY TRIAL - commenced on May 22, 2013		
VERDICT:	Ct. 1 - Aggravated DUI-w/license suspended JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY Ct. 2 - Extreme Aggravated DUI – w/license suspended JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY		
SENTENCING:	SENTENCING DATE TO FOLLOW		

CASES SET FOR SENTENCING

Defendant:	Sharrod Lynn STONE	Case #:	CR2012-335
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	Defense:	David M. Roer
Judge:	Robert Duber, II	Superior Court:	Division II - Payson
Case Status:	June 13, 2013, @ 10:00	Sentencing	in PAYSON
Case Notes:	Defendant is charged with causing the death of a minor and adult, Jeff Johnston, while driving under the influence of alcohol, with several passengers in his vehicle. Other charges include aggravated assault and DUI with minors present.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Manslaughter Ct. 2 - Manslaughter Ct. 3 - Aggravated Assault /Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument Ct. 4 - Aggravated Assault /Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument Ct. 5 - Aggravated Assault /Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument Ct. 6 - Aggravated Assault /Deadly Weapon/Dangerous Instrument Ct. 7 - Aggravated Assault /Adult Upon Child Under 15 Ct. 8 - Aggravated Assault /Adult Upon Child Under 15 Ct. 9 - Endangerment – Imminent Death Ct. 10 - Aggravated DUI – Impaired with Child Present Ct. 11 - Endangerment – Imminent Death Ct. 12 - Unlawful Use of Means of Transportation – Took Control Ct. 13 - Aggravated DUI – Impaired with Child Present		
DISPOSITION:	PLEA		
SENTENCING:	June 13, 2013, @ 10:00	in PAYSON	

CASES SET FOR SENTENCING

Defendant:	Richard Franklin THIELE, III	Case #:	CR2012-355
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	Defense:	Barry Standifird
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Notes:	On or about May 31, 2012, Defendant was charged with trespassing in a residential property and causing a disturbance of the peace and engaging in a seriously disruptive manner.		
Indictment:	Ct. 1 - Criminal Trespass in the First Degree	Class 6 Felony	
	Ct. 2 - Disorderly Conduct	Class 1 Misdemeanor	
DISPOSITION:	JURY TRIAL - commenced on May 29, 2013		
VERDICT:	Ct. 1 - Criminal Trespass in the First Degree	JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – NOT GUILTY	
	Ct. 2 - Disorderly Conduct	JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY	
SENTENCING:	July 1, 2013, @ 10:30	in PAYSON	

RECENT CASE DISPOSITIONS

Defendant:	Julie Ann CROSSER	Case #:	CR2011-673 CR2011-674
Prosecutor:	Gila County Attorney	Defense:	Ron DeBrigida
Judge:	Peter J. Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Notes:	CR2011-673 Defendant was charged with possession of drug paraphernalia items, involving methamphetamine, a controlled substance. Defendant was also accused of driving/in actual physical control of a vehicle while under the influence of an illegal substance. CR2011-674 It is alleged that the Defendant recklessly caused or permitted a child to be injured while the child was in her care/supervision.		
Indictment:	CR2011-673 Ct. 1 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia Class 6 Felony Ct. 2 - DUI-Drugs Class 1 Misdemeanor CR2011-674 Ct. 1 - Child Abuse/Domestic Violence Class 5 Felony		
DISPOSITION:	CR2011-673: JURY TRIAL - commenced on April 17, 2013		
VERDICT:	CR2011-673 Ct. 1 - Possession of Drug Paraphernalia JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY Ct. 2 - DUI-Drugs JURY FOUND DEFENDANT – GUILTY		
DISPOSITION:	CR2011-674: PLEA		
SENTENCING:	May 13, 2013, @ 10:30 in PAYSON		
CONVICTION:	CR2011-673: CT. 1 - POSSESSION OF DRUG PARAPHERNALIA CLASS 6 FELONY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sentenced to Department of Corrections for 1 year, with credit for 29 days. CT. 2 - DUI-DRUGS CLASS 1 MISDEMEANOR <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sentenced to Gila County Jail for 6 months with credit for 29 days. CR2011-674: CT. 1 - CHILD ABUSE/DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CLASS 5 FELONY <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Sentenced to Department of Corrections for 1 year and 9 months, with credit for 22 days. To run consecutively with CR2013-673• Community Supervision• Criminal Restitution• Fines and Fees		

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Plaintiff:	Linda Sue MORRIS & Richard Allen MORRIS	Defendant:	RIM COUNTRY REHAB, INC. <i>dba</i> RIM COUNTRY HEALTH & RETIREMENT COMMUNITY
Case #:	CV2011-101		
Attorney for Plaintiff:	Lloyd & Robinson	Attorney for Defendant:	Checkett Law Firm, PLLC
Judge:	Peter Cahill	Superior Court:	Division I
Case Status:	March 20, 2013, @ 9:30 am	Jury Trial (<i>Est. 5 days</i>)	in GLOBE
Case Notes:	The Defendant is accused of negligence in their duty of care of the Plaintiff while the Plaintiff was in their employment. As a result, Plaintiff alleges that she suffered bodily injury inflicted by a resident patient of the Defendant. The Plaintiff is suing for damages.		
Complaint:	Ct. 1 - Alleges: Defendant failed or otherwise breached a duty of care to Plaintiff Ct. 2 - Alleges: Due to Defendants negligence, Plaintiff has suffered loss of the marital community.		
DISPOSITION:	March 18, 2013	CASE DISMSSED WITH PREJUDICE	